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Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special of the General Assembly: review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups: report on the Third Mandate of the Special Rapporteur on Disability

Austria, Belgium,* Denmark, Finland,* France, Germany, Ireland,* Italy, Luxembourg,* Netherlands,* Portugal,* Spain, Sweden and United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland:* draft resolution

The Commission for Social Development recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Further promotion of equalization of opportunities by, for and with persons with disabilities, and protection of the human rights of persons with disabilities

The Economic and Social Council,

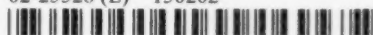
Recalling General Assembly resolutions 37/52 of 3 December 1982, by which it adopted the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons,¹ 48/96 of 20 December 1993, by which it adopted the Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities, and 56/115 of 19 December 2001,

Recalling also Economic and Social Council resolution 2000/10 of 27 July 2000 on equalization of opportunities for persons with disabilities and Commission on Human Rights resolution 2000/51 of 25 April 2000 on the human rights of persons with disabilities,² and other relevant resolutions of the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council and its functional commissions,

* In accordance with rule 69 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council.

¹ A/37/351/Add.1 and Corr.1, annex, sect. VIII, recommendation I (IV).

² See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2000, Supplement No. 3 (E/2000/23)*, chap. II, sect. A.



Recalling further general comment No. 5 of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights on persons with disabilities of 25 November 1994,³

Recalling the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations and reaffirming the obligations contained in relevant human rights instruments,

Mindful of the important role played by the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women⁴ and the Convention on the Rights of the Child,⁵

Recalling General Assembly resolution 56/168 of 19 December 2001, by which it decided to establish an Ad Hoc Committee to consider proposals for a comprehensive and integral international convention to protect and promote the rights and dignity of persons with disabilities,

Recalling the Commission on Human Rights resolution 2000/51, in which it requested a study on the adequacy of instruments in respect of the protection and monitoring of the human rights of persons with disabilities,

Welcoming the cooperation between the Commission on Human Rights and the Special Rapporteur on Disability of the Commission for Social Development in sharing experiences and knowledge,

Noting with grave concern that persons with disabilities in some circumstances are among the poorest of the poor and continue to be excluded from the benefits of development, such as education and access to gainful employment,

Mindful of the need to adopt and implement effective strategies and policies to promote the rights and the full and effective participation of persons with disabilities in economic, social, cultural and political life, on the basis of equality, in order to achieve a society for all,

Noting with satisfaction that the Standard Rules play an increasingly important role in the equalization of opportunities for persons with disabilities and that the issue of human rights and dignity of persons with disabilities is being addressed and promoted in an increasing number of forums,

Appreciating the active role played by non-governmental organizations, including organizations of persons with disabilities, in cooperation with Governments and relevant intergovernmental bodies and organizations, to promote awareness and support implementation and evaluation of the Standard Rules at the national, regional and international levels,

1. *Welcomes* the work of the Special Rapporteur on Disability of the Commission for Social Development, takes note with appreciation of his third periodic report, including the elaboration of recommendations for future action and supports his proposals of mainstreaming disabilities issues;⁶

2. *Takes note with appreciation* of the important efforts of Governments as well as non-governmental organizations and academic institutions during the missions of the Special Rapporteur to build capacities to implement the Standard

³ Ibid., 1995, Supplement No. 2 (E/1995/22), annex IV.

⁴ General Assembly resolution 34/180, annex.

⁵ General Assembly resolution 44/25, annex.

⁶ E/CN.5/2002/4.

Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities at the national, regional and interregional levels;

3. *Welcomes* the many initiatives and actions of Governments, relevant United Nations bodies and organizations, including the Bretton Woods institutions, as well as non-governmental organizations to implement further the goal of full participation and equality for persons with disabilities in accordance with the Standard Rules;

4. *Urges* Governments, intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations to take practical action to create greater awareness and support for the further implementation of the Standard Rules, to suggest measures for the further promotion and protection of the human rights of persons with disabilities, to improve cooperation within the United Nations system in the field of disability and to find forms for future monitoring of the Standard Rules;

5. *Urges* Governments to ensure that persons with disabilities have the same access to education, health, employment, social services, housing, public transport and information;

6. *Invites* multilateral development agencies, in the light of the Standard Rules, to pay due attention to disability-related human rights issues in connection with the projects they fund;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to strengthen and improve mechanisms for consultation, the exchange of information and coordination, as appropriate, and active participation of the relevant United Nations bodies, specialized agencies and related organizations to further implement the Standard Rules;

8. *Invites* the relevant bodies and organizations of the United Nations system, including relevant human rights treaty bodies within the respective mandates, and urges the regional commissions, intergovernmental organizations, and non-governmental organizations to work closely with the United Nations Programme on persons with disabilities to promote the rights of persons with disabilities, including activities at the field level, by sharing knowledge, experiences, findings and recommendations concerning persons with disabilities;

9. *Encourages* the United Nations system, the Bretton Woods institutions and Governments to enhance cooperation with organizations of persons with disabilities or concerned with disabilities issues so as to implement the Standard Rules in an effective and coordinated manner;

10. *Encourages* States parties to the relevant treaty bodies to include in their reports specific information on persons with disabilities to ensure that the human rights of persons with disabilities are appropriately addressed; general comment No. 5 of the Committee on the Economic Social and Cultural Rights could serve as a mainstreaming model on disability issues;

11. *Decides* to renew the mandate for the Special Rapporteur for a period through the year 2005 to further the promotion and monitoring of the Standard Rules in accordance with the provisions set down in section 4 of the Standard Rules, including the human rights dimensions of disability, and to submit to the Commission on Human Rights the report of the Special Rapporteur and the considerations of the Commission for Social Development thereon;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to seek the views of Member States on the proposals in the report of the Special Rapporteur, especially on the suggested supplement to the Standard Rules, and to submit a substantive report to the Commission at its forty-second session;

13. *Recommends* that the Ad Hoc Committee, set up by the General Assembly in its resolution 56/168 consider ways to ensure the continued use, promotion and monitoring of the Standard Rules, to study existing human rights instruments and to reflect on how they can be strengthened, to consider the elaboration of a convention taking into account the relationship with the Standard Rules and in so doing to carefully study the report and proposals made by the Special Rapporteur at the fortieth session of the Commission for Social Development⁶ and the study commissioned by Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, as well as the views of the Member States, the international organizations and the non-governmental organizations on these proposals;

14. *Encourages* Governments, relevant United Nations bodies and organizations, including the Bretton Woods institutions, as well as non-governmental organizations to take active part in the work of the Ad Hoc Committee;

15. *Also encourages* Governments, as well as non-governmental organizations and the private sector, to continue to contribute to the United Nations Voluntary Fund on Disability in order to support the activities of the Special Rapporteur as well as new and expanded initiatives to strengthen national capacities for equalization of opportunities by, for and with persons with disabilities.



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Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly: review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups: report on the third mandate of the Special Rapporteur on Disability

Austria, Belgium,* Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland,* France, Germany, Greece,* Ireland,* Italy, Jamaica, Luxembourg,* Netherlands,* New Zealand,* Norway,* Portugal,* Spain, Suriname,* Sweden and United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland:* revised draft resolution

Further promotion of equalization of opportunities by, for and with persons with disabilities and protection of their human rights

The Commission for Social Development recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Further promotion of equalization of opportunities by, for and with persons with disabilities and protection of their human rights

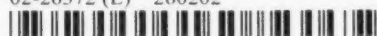
The Economic and Social Council,

Reaffirming the principles and purposes of the Charter of the United Nations and recalling the obligations contained in the relevant human rights instruments,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 37/52 of 3 December 1982, by which it adopted the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons,¹ 48/96 of 20 December 1993, by which it adopted the Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities, and 56/115 of 19 December 2001,

* In accordance with rule 69 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council.

¹ A/37/351/Add.1 and Corr.1, annex, sect. VIII, recommendation I (IV).



Recalling also Economic and Social Council resolution 2000/10 of 27 July 2000 on equalization of opportunities for persons with disabilities and Commission on Human Rights resolution 2000/51 of 25 April 2000 on the human rights of persons with disabilities,² and other relevant resolutions of the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council and its functional commissions,

Noting general comment No. 5 of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights on persons with disabilities of 25 November 1994,³

Mindful of the important role played by the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women⁴ and the Convention on the Rights of the Child,⁵

Recalling General Assembly resolution 56/168 of 19 December 2001, by which it decided to establish an Ad Hoc Committee to consider proposals for a comprehensive and integral international convention to protect and promote the rights and dignity of persons with disabilities,

Recalling the Commission on Human Rights resolution 2000/51, in which it requested a study on the adequacy of instruments in respect of the protection and monitoring of the human rights of persons with disabilities,

Welcoming the cooperation between the Commission on Human Rights and the Special Rapporteur on Disability of the Commission for Social Development in sharing experiences and knowledge,

Noting with grave concern that persons with disabilities in some circumstances are among the poorest of the poor and continue to be excluded from the benefits of development, such as education and access to gainful employment,

Mindful of the need to adopt and implement effective strategies and policies to promote the rights and the full and effective participation of persons with disabilities in economic, social, cultural and political life, on the basis of equality, in order to achieve a society for all,

Noting with satisfaction that the Standard Rules play an increasingly important role in the equalization of opportunities for persons with disabilities and that the issue of human rights and dignity of persons with disabilities is being addressed and promoted in an increasing number of forums,

Noting the important efforts of Governments to implement the Standard Rules,

Noting also the important contributions made by various national and regional forums, expert group meetings and other activities in promoting the implementation of the Standard Rules,

² See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2000, Supplement No. 3 (E/2000/23)*, chap. II, sect. A.

³ *Ibid.*, 1995, *Supplement No. 2 (E/1995/22)*, annex IV.

⁴ General Assembly resolution 34/180, annex.

⁵ General Assembly resolution 44/25, annex.

Appreciating the active role played by non-governmental organizations, in particular organizations of persons with disabilities, in cooperation with Governments and relevant intergovernmental bodies and organizations, to promote awareness and support implementation and evaluation of the Standard Rules at the national, regional and international levels,

1. *Welcomes* the work of the Special Rapporteur on Disability of the Commission for Social Development, and takes note of his third periodic report, including the elaboration of recommendations for future action and supports his proposals of mainstreaming disability issues;⁶

2. *Takes note with appreciation* of the important efforts of Governments as well as non-governmental organizations and academic institutions during the missions of the Special Rapporteur to build capacities to implement the Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities at the national, regional and interregional levels;

3. *Welcomes* the many initiatives and actions of Governments to implement further the goal of full participation and equality for persons with disabilities in accordance with the Standard Rules and the significant role played by the United Nations system, including the Bretton Woods institutions, as well as non-governmental organizations, in this regard;

4. *Urges* Governments, intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations to take practical action to create greater awareness and support for the further implementation of the Standard Rules, to suggest measures for the further promotion and protection of the human rights of persons with disabilities, to improve cooperation within the United Nations system in the field of disability and to find forms for future monitoring of the Standard Rules;

5. *Urges* Governments to ensure that persons with disabilities have equal access to education, health, employment, social services, housing, public transport, information, legal protection and political decision-making processes;

6. *Invites* multilateral development agencies, in the light of the Standard Rules, to pay due attention to disability-related human rights issues in connection with the projects they fund;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to strengthen and improve mechanisms for consultation, the exchange of information and coordination, as appropriate, and active participation of the relevant United Nations bodies, specialized agencies and related organizations to further implement the Standard Rules;

8. *Invites* the relevant bodies and organizations of the United Nations system, including relevant human rights treaty bodies within the respective mandates, and urges the regional commissions, intergovernmental organizations, as well as non-governmental organizations, in particular organizations of persons with disabilities, to work closely with the United Nations Programme on persons with disabilities to promote the rights of persons with disabilities, including activities at the field level, by sharing knowledge, experiences, results and recommendations concerning persons with disabilities;

⁶ E/CN.5/2002/4.

9. *Encourages* Governments, the United Nations system, including the Bretton Woods institutions, to enhance cooperation with organizations of persons with disabilities and other organizations concerned with disability issues so as to implement the Standard Rules in an effective and coordinated manner;

10. *Encourages* States parties to the relevant treaty bodies to include in their reports specific information on persons with disabilities to ensure that the human rights of persons with disabilities are appropriately addressed; general comment No. 5 of the Committee on the Economic Social and Cultural Rights could serve as a mainstreaming model on disability issues;

11. *Decides* to renew the mandate for the Special Rapporteur for a period through the year 2005 to further the promotion and monitoring of the Standard Rules in accordance with the provisions set down in section 4 of the Standard Rules, including the human rights dimensions of disability, and to submit to the Commission on Human Rights the report of the Special Rapporteur and the considerations of the Commission for Social Development thereon;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to seek the views of Member States on the proposals in the report of the Special Rapporteur, especially on the suggested supplement to the Standard Rules, and to submit a substantive report to the Commission at its forty-second session;

13. *Recommends* that the Ad Hoc Committee, set up by the General Assembly in its resolution 56/168 consider proposals for a convention taking into account the relationship with relevant human rights instruments and the Standard Rules and in so doing to carefully study the report and proposals made by the Special Rapporteur at the fortieth session of the Commission for Social Development⁶ and the study commissioned by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, as well as the views of the Member States, international organizations and non-governmental organizations, in particular organizations of persons with disabilities, on these proposals;

14. *Encourages* Governments, the United Nations system, including the Bretton Woods institutions, as well as non-governmental organizations, in particular organizations of persons with disabilities, to take active part in the work of the Ad Hoc Committee, in accordance with the standard practice of the General Assembly;

15. *Further encourages* Governments, as well as non-governmental organizations and the private sector, to continue to contribute to the United Nations Voluntary Fund on Disability in order to support the activities of the Special Rapporteur as well as new and expanded initiatives to strengthen national capacities for equalization of opportunities by, for and with persons with disabilities.



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Chile,* Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala and Mexico: draft resolution

Comprehensive and integral international convention to promote and protect the rights and dignity of persons with disabilities

The Commission for Social Development,

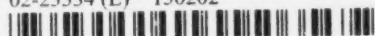
Taking into account General Assembly resolution 56/168 of 19 December 2001, by which it decided to establish an Ad Hoc Committee open to the participation of all Member States and observers of the United Nations to consider proposal for a comprehensive and integral international convention to protect and promote the rights and dignity of persons with disabilities, based on the holistic approach in the work done in the field of social development, human rights and non-discrimination and taking into account the recommendations of the Commission on Human Rights and the Commission for Social Development,

Bearing in mind the invitation made by the General Assembly in its resolution 56/168 to relevant bodies and organizations of the United Nations system, as well as intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations with an interest in the matter, to make contributions to the work entrusted to the Ad Hoc Committee, based on the practice of the United Nations,

Taking into account the report of the Special Rapporteur on Disability of the Commission for Social Development¹ in which he notes that with the adoption of General Assembly resolution 56/168 the process of elaborating a convention on the rights of persons with disabilities has been started,

* In accordance with rule 69 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council.

¹ E/CN.5/2002/4.



1. *Notes with appreciation* the valuable work undertaken by the Special Rapporteur on Disability and of his final report for the period 2000-2002,¹ in particular his recommendations relating to the preparatory process of elaborating the international convention;
2. *Invites* the Special Rapporteur and the panel of experts to contribute to the work entrusted to the Ad Hoc Committee by making recommendations regarding the content and practical measures that should be considered in the international convention;
3. *Underlines* the importance of receiving as soon as possible the contributions request by the General Assembly of relevant bodies and organizations of the United Nations system, as well as intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations with an interest in the matter for the work of the Ad Hoc Committee, based on the practice of the United Nations;
4. *Requests* the Secretary-General, with the support of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and the Division for Social Policy and Development of the Secretariat, to submit to the Ad Hoc Committee prior to its first session a compilation of existing international legal instruments, documents and programmes that directly or indirectly address the situation of persons with disabilities, to include, inter alia, those of conferences, summits, meetings or international or regional seminars convened by the United Nations and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations;
5. *Invites* Member States to provide adequate financial resources to ensure the necessary expertise and the participation of international disability organizations;
6. *Decides* to remain seized of this matter.



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Agenda item 5

Adoption of the report of the Commission on its fortieth session

Draft report

Rapporteur: Ms. Anzhela Korneliouk

Chapter _____. Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Commission for Social Development held its fortieth session at United Nations Headquarters in New York from 11 to 21 February 2002. The Commission held _____ meetings (1st to _____) and a number of informal meetings.

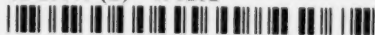
B. Attendance

2. In accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/7 of 22 July 1996, the Commission is composed of 46 States Members of the United Nations, elected on the principle of equitable geographical distribution.

3. The session was attended by 46 States Members of the Commission. Observers for other States Members of the United Nations and for non-member States and representatives of specialized agencies and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations also attended. A list of participants is contained in annex I to the present report.

C. Election of officers

4. At the 1st meeting, on 11 February, the Commission decided to re-elect as its Bureau of the fortieth session the Bureau of the thirty-ninth session of the Commission, which was as follows:



Chairman:

Faith Innerarity (Jamaica)

Vice-Chairmen:

Henrik Hahn (Denmark)

Nicole J. Elisha (Benin)

Muhammed Enayet Mowla (Bangladesh)

Vice-Chairman cum Rapporteur:

Anzhela Korneliouk (Belarus)

D. Agenda

5. At its 1st meeting, on 11 February, the Commission adopted its provisional agenda for the session (E/CN.5/2002/1). The agenda was as follows:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly:
 - (a) Priority theme: integration of social and economic policy:
 - (i) Social aspects of macroeconomic policies;
 - (ii) Social assessment as a policy tool;
 - (iii) Expenditures in the social sector as a productive factor;
 - (b) Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups:
 - (i) Commission for Social Development acting as the Preparatory Committee for the Second World Assembly on Ageing;
 - (ii) Report on the Third Mandate of the Special Rapporteur on Disability;
 - (iii) Preparations for and observance of the tenth anniversary of the International Year of the Family.
4. Provisional agenda for the forty-first session of the Commission.
5. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its fortieth session.

E. Organization of work

6. At its 1st meeting, on 11 February, the Commission approved its organization of work for the session, as orally revised (see E/CN.5/2002/L.1).

F. Organizational matters

7. At the 1st meeting, on 11 February, the Chairman of the Commission introduced a draft decision entitled "Organizational matters" (E/CN.5/2002/L.2).

8. At the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of India, Spain (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the European Union), Algeria and Bangladesh.

9. At its 4th meeting, on 12 February, the Commission adopted the draft decision (E/CN.5/2002/L.2) and recommended its adoption by the Economic and Social Council.

10. At the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Spain (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the European Union) and Algeria.

G. Proposed revisions to the medium-term plan for the period 2002-2005

11. At its ____ meeting, on 21 February, the Commission had before it the proposed revisions to the medium-term plan for the period 2002-2005 for subprogramme 3, Social policy and development, of programme 7, Economic and social affairs, as contained in the annex to document E/CN.5/2002/CRP.1.

12. At the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Algeria and Morocco, as well as by the observer for Cuba.

13. Also at the same meeting, a statement was made by the Director of the Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

H. Keynote speaker on the priority theme of social and economic policy

14. At the 1st meeting, on 11 February, the keynote speaker, José Antonio Ocampo, Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, addressed the Commission.

I. Documentation

15. The documents before the Commission at its fortieth session are listed in annex ____ to the present report.



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Addendum

Chapter ____ . Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly

1. The Commission for Social Development considered item 3 of its agenda (Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly: (a) Priority theme: integration of social and economic policy; (b) Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups) at its 1st to 9th ____ meetings, on 11 to 15 ____ February 2002.

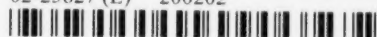
2. At the 1st meeting, on 11 February, the Director, Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, made an introductory statement.

Priority theme: integration of social and economic policy

3. The Commission considered item 3 (a) of its agenda at its 1st to 6th ____ meetings, on 11 to 13 ____ February.

High-level governmental and expert panel discussion on priority theme: integration of social and economic policy

4. At the 2nd meeting, on 11 February 2002, the following members of the expert panel addressed the Commission: Ms. Roxana Viquez Salazar, Executive Director



and Chair of the Board of Directors, Instituto Mixto de Ayuda Social (IMAS), Costa Rica; Mr. Emmanuel Tumusiime Mutebile, Governor of the Central Bank of the Republic of Uganda; Mr. Benedict Clements, Deputy Division Chief, Fiscal Affairs Department of the International Monetary Fund and Mr. Peter Marris, Professor of Sociology, Yale University.

5. At the same meeting, questions were posed and comments were made by the representatives of Benin, Morocco, Bangladesh and Algeria, as well as the observer for Uganda and the representative of the International Labour Organization, to which the panellists responded.

6. Also at the same meeting, the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean made a statement.

7. At the 3rd meeting, on 12 February, statements were made by the representatives of Venezuela (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Spain (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the European Union as well as the Central and Eastern European States associated with the Union, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and other associated States, Cyprus, Malta and Turkey), Sweden, China, Morocco, the Republic of Korea, Argentina, Croatia, El Salvador and Bangladesh.

8. At the same meeting, a statement was made by the Council of Europe, an intergovernmental organization.

9. At the 4th meeting, on 12 February, statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Mexico, the Czech Republic, the United States of America, Thailand, Belarus, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and Indonesia, as well as by the observers for Cuba and Malaysia.

10. At the same meeting, the representative of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) made a statement.

11. Also at the same meeting, a statement was made by the representative of the International Organization of Employers (a non-governmental organization).

12. At the 5th meeting, on 13 February, statements were made by the representatives of Japan and Jamaica, as well as by the observer for Chile.

Presentations by entities of the United Nations

13. At the 5th meeting, on 13 February, presentations were made by the following representatives of the United Nations system: Mr. John Langmore, Director, Liaison Office of the International Labour Organization with the United Nations; Mr. Jacques Baudot, Coordinator, International Forum for Social Development; Mr. John Martin, Senior Adviser, Department of Health and Development, World Health Organization; Ms. Judith Edstrom, Sector Manager, Social Development, World Bank; and Mr. Alfatih Hamad, Deputy Director, UNESCO Liaison Office to the United Nations.

14. Also at the same meeting, questions were posed and comments were made by the representatives of Mexico and Algeria, as well as by the observers for Chile and Suriname, to which the entities of the United Nations responded.

Non-governmental organizations dialogue segment

15. At its 5th meeting, on 13 February, the Commission held a dialogue with non-governmental organizations. Presentations were made by the following non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council: International Council on Social Welfare, Triglav Circle, Centro di Ricerca e Documentazione Febbraio 74, Congregation of Our Lady of Charity of the Good Shepherd, Society of Catholic Medical Missionaries and Sisters of Loretto, after which a statement was made by the representative of Suriname.

16. At the 6th meeting, on 13 February, statements were made by the representatives of Ghana, Switzerland and South Africa, as well as by the observers for Suriname, Malawi and Mali.

Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups

17. The Commission considered item 3 (b) of its agenda at its 7th to 9th, _____ meetings, on 14, 15 _____ February.

18. At the 7th meeting, on 14 February, a statement was made by the Chairman of the Preparatory Committee for the Second World Assembly on Ageing.

19. At the same meeting, the Special Rapporteur of the Commission for Social Development on monitoring and implementation of the Standard Rules on Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities, Bengt Lindqvist, addressed the Commission, after which statements were made by the representatives of Indonesia, Spain (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the European Union), Algeria, the United States of America, Thailand, and Mexico, as well as the observers for Portugal and Cuba participating in the dialogue.

20. At the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Spain (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the European Union as well as the Central and Eastern European States associated with the Union, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia; other associated States, Cyprus, Malta and Turkey and Liechtenstein as a member of the European Free Trade Association and of the European Economic Area), Mexico and Sweden.

21. At the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations.

22. Also at the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of the following non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council: Inclusion International, World Blind Union and World Federation of the Deaf.

23. At the 8th meeting, on 14 February, statements were made by the representatives of the Philippines and China.

24. At the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) and the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA).

25. Also at the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of the following non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council: International Council on Alcohol and Addiction, PRODEFA, International Federation for Home Economics and International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies.

26. At the 9th meeting, on 15 February, statements were made by the representatives of the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Thailand, the Russian Federation, the Republic of Korea, and Argentina, as well as the observers for India, Malaysia, Zambia, Mali and Suriname.



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Agenda item 4

Provisional agenda for the forty-first session of the Commission

Provisional agenda

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly:
 - (a) Priority theme: "National and international cooperation for social development". Under this theme, the following specific topics will be considered:
 - (i) Sharing of experiences and practices in social development;
 - (ii) Forging partnerships for social development;
 - (iii) Social responsibility of the private sector;
 - (iv) Impact of employment strategies on social development;
 - (v) Policies and role of international financial institutions and their effect on national social development strategies;
 - (b) Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups:
 - (i) Review of the global situation of youth;
 - (ii) Preparations for and observance of the tenth anniversary of the International Year of the Family.
4. Programme questions and other matters:
 - (a) Programme performance and implementation;
 - (b) Proposed programme of work for the biennium 2002-2003;
 - (c) United Nations Research Institute for Social Development.
5. Provisional agenda for the forty-second session of the Commission.
6. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its forty-first session.

